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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendment Summary

Claims pending

- Before this Amendment: Claims 1-17, 56-61, and 70.
- After this Amendment: Claims 1-17, 56-61, and 70.

Non-Elected, Canceled, or Withdrawn claims: none.

Amended claims: 1, 56, and 70.

New claims: none.

Claims:

(CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for protecting a digital 1. good, the method comprising:

generating a fingerprint, the fingerprint being a forensic entity identifier which is uniquely associated with a unique entity and the fingerprint is also associated with a watermark, wherein an entity is capable of processing some license or other rights for a digital good;

embedding the watermark into a digital good without embedding the fingerprint.

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- 2. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the generating comprises producing a short fingerprint which is approximately equivalent to the fingerprint and is substantially smaller in scale than the fingerprint.
- 3. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the generating comprises:

producing a pseudorandom watermark carrier that is independent of the watermark:

combining the carrier and the watermark to generate the fingerprint.

4. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the generating comprises:

producing a pseudorandom watermark carrier that is independent of the watermark;

amalgamating the carrier and the watermark to generate the fingerprint.

- 5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 4, wherein the amalgamating comprises deriving the fingerprint from the carrier and the watermark.
- 6. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 4, wherein the amalgamating comprises combining the carrier and the watermark to generate the fingerprint.

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- 7. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the fingerprint is uniquely associated with the watermark.
- 8. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the fingerprint is at least partially derived from the watermark.
- 9. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the fingerprint is associated with a detection entity.
- 10. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the fingerprint is uniquely associated with a detection entity.
- 11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

segmenting the digital good into multiple segments;

repeating the generating, and embedding for individual segments of the multiple segments, so that a segment has a segment-associated watermark embedded therein and a segment-associated fingerprint is associated with such segment-associated watermark.

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- 12. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the embedding produces a marked digital good, the method further comprising distributing identical copies of the marked digital good to multiple detection entities, wherein individual fingerprints are associated with one or more detection entities.
- 13. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the digital good is selected from a group consisting of digitized images, digitized audio, digitized video, digitized multimedia, software applications, and media signals.
- 14. (ORIGINAL) A modulated signal generated in accordance with the acts recited in claim 1, wherein the signal has a minimum collusion resistance that grows linearly with the scale of the signal.
- 15. (ORIGINAL) A modified signal generated in accordance with the acts recited in claim 1, wherein the signal has a minimum collusion resistance that grows with the scale (N) of the signal in the order of magnitude of $O(N \log N)$.
- 16. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium having computerexecutable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method as recited in claim 1.

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17. (ORIGINAL) A computer comprising one or more computerreadable media having computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the computer, perform the method as recited in claim 1.

Claims 18-55 are CANCELLED

- 56. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A system for facilitating the protection of digital goods, the system comprising:
- a key generation entity configured to generate pseudorandom watermarks and fingerprints, a fingerprint being a forensic entity identifier which is uniquely associated with a unique entity, the unique entity being capable of processing some license or other rights for a digital good;
- a marker configured to embedded the watermark into a digital good, wherein the fingerprint is not embedded into the digital good.
- 57. (ORIGINAL) A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the key generation entity is further configured to produce a pseudorandom watermark carrier that is independent of the watermark and combine the carrier and the watermark to generate the fingerprint.

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- (ORIGINAL) A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the 58. key generation entity is further configured to produce a pseudorandom watermark carrier that is independent of the watermark and coalesce the carrier and the watermark to generate the fingerprint.
- A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the 59. (ORIGINAL) fingerprint is associated with the watermark.
- 60. (ORIGINAL) A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the fingerprint is associated with a detection entity.
- 61. (ORIGINAL) A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the digital good is selected from a group consisting of digitized images, digitized audio, digitized video, digitized multimedia, software applications, and media signals

Claims 62-69 are CANCELLED

70. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable having computer-executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method comprising:

generating a fingerprint, the fingerprint being a forensic entity identifier which is uniquely associated with a unique entity and the fingerprint is also

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associated with a watermark, wherein an entity is capable of processing some license or other rights for a digital good;

embedding the watermark into a digital good without embedding the fingerprint.

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